

Asia-Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum 2022

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- Singapore developed **Digital Economy Agreements (DEAs)** together with our partners to bring Free Trade Agreements into the digital era.
- DEAs foster interoperability of systems and align standards and policies to build a more streamlined and trade-friendly environment for digital trade to thrive. They are also supplemented by cooperative projects.
- DEAs are designed as modular and living agreements which we can add on to as new issues and approaches emerge.
- On the multilateral front, Singapore co-convenes the **Joint Statement Initiative on E-commerce** at the World Trade Organisation with Australia and Japan to steer baseline rules on digital trade.